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>From another post

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Ron Sommer

use Ad-Aware from www.lavasoft.de and SpyBot Search and Destroy from www.safer-networking.org/ to clean up any residue. Both have free versions for personal use.

You should also try using MSConfig to see if something is being started each time you reboot.

How to Troubleshoot By Using the Msconfig Utility in Windows XP

<http://support.microsoft.com/default.aspx?scid=kb;EN-US;310560>

Additionally, Look in the C:\Documents and Settings\All Users\Start Menu\Programs\Start Up and C:\Documents and Settings\username\Start Menu\Programs\Start Up folders, and in the system registry, primarily in the HKLM\SOFTWARE\Microsoft\Windows\CurrentVersion\Run and HKCU\SOFTWARE\Microsoft\Windows\CurrentVersion\Run keys.

Additionally, manual removal instructions for the most common varieties of scumware are available here:

PC Hell Spyware and Adware Removal Help

<http://www.pchell.com/support/spyware.shtml>

More information and assistance is available at these sites:

Blocking Ads, Parasites, and Hijackers with a Hosts File

<http://www.mvps.org/winhelp2002/hosts.htm>

The Parasite Fight

<http://www.aumha.org/a/parasite.htm>

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Bruce Chambers

"General Mailbox" <keepspam@away.com> wrote in message

news:08vKd.9490\$rv.2125@fedlread03...

> Greetings.

> On a new Dell P4 Intel 3.2Ghz 512RAM 80GB drive w 65GB free space;

> Mother's Home edition XP has the following abnormalities that I would

> greatly appreciate help on.

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> 1) In normal bootup mode, disk clean function from system tools takes +10

> mins to scan files to estimate how much can be cleaned. In safe mode, it

> does the same thing. Both cases it does eventually work.

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> 2) In normal bootup mode, defrag will show the dialog window, but will

> not

> go any further to even analyze the disk. It may eventually but after 5

> mins

> of no results, it is turned off manually. Defrag will work in safe mode.

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> 3) User profiles are setup as Administrator (seen & selected only during
> safe mode), mother (admin privilege), and sister (restricted user). In
> safe
> mode, only administrator profile will work even though mother profile
> shows
> listed too. Mother is password protected and in safe mode it won't allow
> entry of password, thus no access to safe mode.
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> 4) On another XP Pro machine, a registry cleaner named RegCleaner 4.3 by
> Jouni Vuorio is used to clean the registry AND used to limit the start of
> programs on bootup. On mother's machine, task manager shows the process
> running, but the software dialog window never shows up on the desktop to
> have any control of it. I believe the Pro was using SP1, while I know
> mother's is SP2. Would that make a difference? A suggestion of other
> software to use would be appreciated, but of course I'm wondering why this
> software is having a problem on one machine and not the other.
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> Some services have been altered, but not many and most were changed from
> manual to automatic. Dell support was advised of slow reaction time and
> only suggested to use msconfig to stop unnecessary programs from loading
> at
> bootup. Processes down to 38 on fresh boot from 68, but still having all
> above problems. It would be appreciated for any help on any of the above
> issues.
> Thanks so much!
> B.rgds,
> Kevin
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